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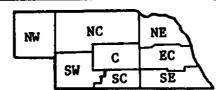
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Precipitation averaged near a half inch over the west and increased to an inch and a quarter over the extreme east. Temperatures ranged from about six degrees below normal in the west to about two degrees above normal over the east.

GENERAL

Nebraska farmers continued to make progress planting row crops last week in spite of scattered rain and hail. Corn planting was in the final stages, soybeans reached the three-quarter mark and sorghum was well over one-half completed. Other field activities included spraying, cultivating and mowing, while having operations were hampered by the uncooperative weather. Occasional hard rains and high winds continued to promote soil erosion in many fields with little or no cover. The number of days suitable for fieldwork averaged 4.8 across the State.

Topsoil moisture rated 12% short, 68% adequate and 20% surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 2% short, 79% adequate and 19% surplus. A year ago, topsoil moisture rated 55% short, 39% adequate and 6% surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 89% adequate and 11% surplus.

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Corn planting was completed last
week, except for scattered fields needing

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to be replanted. Last year, the crop was planted by this date and the five-year average was 98%. Emergence reached 85%, equal to both last year and average.

Sorghum acreage planted was 65% complete, far behind 90% last year and an average of 80%. Thirty-five percent of the crop had emerged, behind 55% last year and 60% average.

Planting of soybeans reached 75%, dragging behind last year's 93% and an average of 85%. Emergence stood at 40%, compared to 55% for both last year and average. Wet fields in the southeast have allowed only about one-half of the crop to be planted to date.

Winter wheat condition rated 20% poor, 71% fair and 9% good. Heading made rapid progress last week. Hot, windy conditions pushed the wheat crop to 80% headed, ahead of last year's 65% but behind the 90% average.

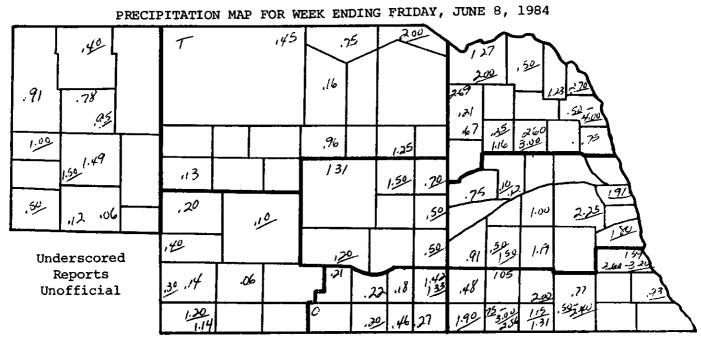
The first cutting of alfalfa reached 30% harvested, compared to 45% last year and 55% average. Alfalfa weevils continued to be reported in large numbers across the State. Condition of the alfalfa crop rated mostly good to fair.

LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range feed supplies rated mostly adequate across Nebraska. Rains and warmer weather proved beneficial to pasture development. Cattle and calves were making adequate gains from grazing.

Precipitation, April 1 - June 8, 1984

	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.56	.65	1.32	1.31	.79	.39	.40	1.29
Total since April l	5.26	7.22	13.80	7.89	13.98	8.62	11.02	14.45
Normal since April 1	5.91	6.35	7.52	6.97	7.79	5 93	7 10	ខាន



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 1984

	<u></u>		Precipitation				
	Station	Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches 1,	
		Max	Min	Mean	Departure	Total filties 1/	
NW	Chadron	75	40	59		.28	
	Scottsbluff	77	37	59	-6	.50	
	Sidney	77	37	59	45 −5	T	
NC	Ord						
	Valentine	85	44	63	-2	.85	
NE	Norfolk	87	53	70	+2	.78	
	Sioux City	85	55	69	0	1.27	
CEN	Grand Island	89	54	72	+3	.34	
EC	Lincoln	93	56	72	+1	1.08	
	Omaha	87	57	71	+2	2.72	
SW	Imperial	85	45	66		.13	
	North Platte	88	45	59	- 7	.28	

^{1/} Precipitation totals not included in map above.

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